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HONGKONG, MARCH 5TH, 1906.

NOTWITHSTANDING the conflicting nature of the news which reaches Hongkong as to the proceedings at Algeciras, there can be little doubt but that a situation has resulted which can only be regarded with the deepest anxiety. The deadlock, serious in itself, would not be so grave were it not for the fact that the principals are both prepared for the natural consequence of a rupture. Ordinarily this would not occasion any apprehension, as most first-class Powers realise that the best way at present to preserve peace is to be prepared for war, but the temperament which both countries have recently displayed leads to a feeling of uneasiness as to the outcome. Although both France and Germany have indicated that they do not intend to abate the demands which they have formulated, and although diplomatic efforts have so far failed to effect a compromise, it cannot yet be said that the International Conference has proved a failure. Even were that the unfortunate end of the arbitration proceedings, there is always the hope that mediation on the part of some neutral Power would not be without avail. King Edward VII, with the qualities which have earned for him the title "Edward the Peacemaker," is the first to whom the nations will naturally turn their eyes in the circumstances, and it is reassuring to find the Tsar ranged on the side of peace and willing also to mediate between the two Powers.

Should such a contingency as many fear actually take place, it cannot be regarded other than a terrible calamity. The awful carnage which was associated with the hostilities between Russia and Japan have invested war with perhaps even greater

horrors than ever it had before, and no one can contemplate its dire results with any feeling of equanimity. Apart from the slaughter, inevitable at the meeting of the combatants, and the suffering inflicted on the people of both countries, a rupture between France and Germany would considerably affect our port and its great shipping interests. The interchange of commodities would be retarded, certain traffic routes would be disorganized, and generally the trade essential to our prosperity would be injured by the greater uncertainties and risks which prevail in a time of war. So that on humanitarian and material grounds, we have reason to deplore the present situation and its possibilities and to indulge the hope that the delegates assembled in the little Spanish town, almost under the shadow of Gibraltar, will be able, ere they conclude their deliberations, to congratulate themselves on bringing the two great nations to an amicable understanding respecting the administration of Morocco which will not be incompatible with the claims of either and at the same time beneficial to the people over whose government the dispute has arisen. Such also must be the wish of all who are not under the influence of national jealousy—few of whom are to be found in our international community—and the present misunderstanding will not be regretted if it achieves a better relationship between the two peoples concerned, thus providing another safeguard for the peace of Europe and of the world.

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The first rifle meeting under the auspices of the China United Service Rifle Association will be held on 19th March and following days.

Volunteers are informed in the latest Orders that the competition for the cup presented by H. E. the General Officer Commanding will take place on Saturday, 7th April.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant William Arthur Crake to be Captain in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, Engineers Company, with effect from the 16th instant.

The late arrival of the German mail steamer *Bayern* is said to be due to her colliding with a lighter at Antwerp on the 24th January. The lighter sank, and the *Bayern* grounded for a while.

Opium smuggling by Chinamen at Sydney is said by the Minister of Customs to be growing to such an extent that a severe example will have to be made to deter others from repeating the offence.

The Ven. Archdeacon H. M. E. Price was consecrated Bishop of Fu-kien on the Feast of the Purification in Westminster Abbey. The Bishop hopes to leave England for his diocese in a few weeks' time.

We notice in the Times of January 27th, received by yesterday's mail, that Mr. G. A. Woodcock, of the Hongkong Civil Service, was called to the bar at Gray's Inn on January 26th. Mr. Woodcock's name appears second in the list.

Singapore is to have a fourth daily newspaper if the projectors are unable to acquire the plant and goodwill of the *Eastern Daily Mail*, which came into existence about a year ago. The projectors of the enterprise are certain "native millionaires."

Singapore papers report the death of Mr. George Thompson Hare, C.M.G., I.S.O., formerly Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States, which occurred on the 25th Feb. The funeral took place at the Cemetery at Bukit Timah.

The boycott of American goods would seem to have obtained a fresh start at Hankow, where it is stated indecent placards of various descriptions are abundantly posted about the native city representing China being put in canguage on their arrival in America.

The programme of music to be performed by the Band of the 119th Infantry on the new parade ground to-day, from 4.30 to 6 p.m., is as follows:—Overture, "Light Cavalry"; "Vala, "Reposé d'Amorens"; Cornet Solo, "Trot de Cavalerie"; Selection, "Gingales"; Ragtime, "Laughing Water"; and Piccolo solo, "Deep Blue Sea."

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SPAMPANI'S CIRCUS.

This circus opened at Causeway Bay on Saturday night, and was greeted by a well filled tent. The opening item on the programme was the introduction by Mr. Spampani of a midget pony that waltzed and otherwise performed as does the pony trained to the ring. Mr. Lou's funny *entrée* was the introduction of four coolies, whose efforts to simulate the clown caused roar of laughter, especially from the large number of natives present. The feats of the two baby elephants appeared to be appreciated, while the athletic display of Messrs. E. C. Milton and Lou, on three horizontal bars, was one of the best turns of the evening. *La feeche humaine*, a jump of 20 feet, by the only lady said to be doing this leap on a bicycle, earned for Miss Annie a salvo of applause.

After an interval of fifteen minutes the second half of the programme was opened by Messrs. Watson and Miss Annie, who gave an excellent display of looping the circle, which merited the ovation they received. Mary Rose's circus miniature of performing dogs called forth much mirth and admiration, the little quadrupeds appearing in the ring as ponies, girls, etc., and giving many quaint performances. Perhaps the most surprising of these was the agility with which a fox terrier turned a number of back somersaults. When the clown "Neny" had his say, several members of the company followed with a cake walk, and last, but not least, of the items on the programme was the sensational performance of the lion tamers. Mr. Schaal first entered the small cage containing two lions and two lionesses, and after showing how tractable was the king of beasts under the will of man took his seat between the two lions and fed them by hand. Miss Margherita also entered the cage and put the animals through their paces, being warmly applauded on her re-appearance in the arena.

Captain Robinson, of the Blue Funnel steamer *Aegamenes*, which arrived at Penang from London on the 20th February, reports as follows:—Between 6.40 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. on the 15th (Sunday), found W. H. Richardson, the purser, missing. Every indication of a determined suicide." As far as can be gathered, the indications lead to the belief that the deceased cut his throat and then jumped overboard. No reason is assigned for the deed, though the unfortunate man was said to have been low-spirited for some time.

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This circus opened at Causeway Bay on Saturday night, and was greeted by a well filled tent. The opening item on the programme was the introduction by Mr. Spampani of a midget pony that waltzed and otherwise performed as does the pony trained to the ring. Mr. Lou's funny *entrée* was the introduction of four coolies, whose efforts to simulate the clown caused roar of laughter, especially from the large number of natives present. The feats of the two baby elephants appeared to be appreciated, while the athletic display of Messrs. E. C. Milton and Lou, on three horizontal bars, was one of the best turns of the evening. *La feeche humaine*, a jump of 20 feet, by the only lady said to be doing this leap on a bicycle, earned for Miss Annie a salvo of applause.

After an interval of fifteen minutes the second half of the programme was opened by Messrs. Watson and Miss Annie, who gave an excellent display of looping the circle, which merited the ovation they received. Mary Rose's circus miniature of performing dogs called forth much mirth and admiration, the little quadrupeds appearing in the ring as ponies, girls, etc., and giving many quaint performances. Perhaps the most surprising of these was the agility with which a fox terrier turned a number of back somersaults. When the clown "Neny" had his say, several members of the company followed with a cake walk, and last, but not least, of the items on the programme was the sensational performance of the lion tamers. Mr. Schaal first entered the small cage containing two lions and two lionesses, and after showing how tractable was the king of beasts under the will of man took his seat between the two lions and fed them by hand. Miss Margherita also entered the cage and put the animals through their paces, being warmly applauded on her re-appearance in the arena.

Captain Robinson, of the Blue Funnel steamer *Aegamenes*, which arrived at Penang from London on the 20th February, reports as follows:—Between 6.40 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. on the 15th (Sunday), found W. H. Richardson, the purser, missing. Every indication of a determined suicide." As far as can be gathered, the indications lead to the belief that the deceased cut his throat and then jumped overboard. No reason is assigned for the deed, though the unfortunate man was said to have been low-spirited for some time.

The report of the Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd., for 1905 shows a divisible balance, after the payment in July last of an interim dividend of 4 per cent., of £1,217,628. It is proposed to carry Ths. 110,000 to depreciation account and Ths. 20,000 to equalization of dividends, to pay a final dividend of 4 per cent., making 8 per cent. for the year, and to carry forward the balance, Ths. 13,914.

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It is notified in the current *Gazette* that H.E. the Governor has been pleased to re-appoint Messrs. Fung We-chün and Lau Chu-pak to be members of the Sanitary Board for a further period of three years from the 6th instant.

The orders by Major General Villiers Hatton, C.B., of 3rd inst. state that owing to a case of plague having occurred in N° 533, Queen's Road West, that part of the city of Victoria West of Hill Road and North of Belcher Fort is placed out of bounds.

The first-class cruiser *King Alfred*, flying the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir A. W. Moore, the newly-appointed Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, is described as a very smart vessel, and will do credit to the British fleet in China waters. Various alterations have been made in the vessel to fit her for duty as a flagship.

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An engagement is announced between Eustace La Trobe Leathem, Commander, Royal Navy, second son of Mr. Samuel Gurney Leathem, of Hemsworth-hall, Wakefield, and Helen Mary, only daughter of the late Mr. Andrew Gillon, of Wallhouse, Linlithgowshire, and of Mrs. Gillon, 13, Royal-terrace, Edinburgh. Owing to Commander Leathem's having to take up an appointment in China, the marriage will not take place until his return.

The current number of the *Government Gazette* contains the final general statement of account of the Fraya Redemption Works to March 31st, 1906. The contributions received from lot holders amounted to \$2,420,823 and the Government contribution to \$478,222. In addition the Government contributed \$268,309 for

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, March 3rd.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGGOT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

A COMPLICATED CLAIM.

The case was concluded in which Nn Hang listed sued the Yuen Sing firm for the equivalent in Hongkong currency of £1,566.702.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. F. B. Dracor (of Messrs. Dracor, Soher and Deacon), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. W. W. Shattoe, instructed by Mr. R. Hadig (of Messrs. Ewens, Harston and Hadig), represented the defendants.

No evidence had concluded counsel addressed the Court, and his Lordship, in summing up, said the plaintiff had told a most incoherent story which it was impossible for him to believe. Judgment would, therefore, be for the defendants.

CONCERT AT KOWLOON INSTITUTE.

Despite the counter attractions on Saturday evening the concert arranged by Mr. J. J. Innes (behalf of the funds of the Kowloon Seaman's Institute) was very well patronised. The Banquet of the 11th Infantry was in attendance, and several selections during the evening. Amongst the contributors to the musical items of the programme were such popular at well-known singers as Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Jacknd Mr. J. L. Cottier (the latter was deservedly acclaimed for a very fine rendering of "Queen of my Heart"). A very pleasing number was the balalaika and mandolin trio played by Miss D. Chun Yut, Messrs. H. Browne and J. Innes; also the piano solo by Miss G. Ing. The comic relief was in the hands of Messrs. Miller and Webster, whose clever pantomime dancing won them hearty applause. The pieces de resistance of the evening was the domestic comedy "Freezing a Mother-law." This little play is sparkling with amusing incidents and described how a hen-pecked husband is persuaded by his enterprising widow to suspend the animation of his domineering wife by means of a patent freezing mixture. Owing to the intervention of the suitor for his daughter's hand the plot is revealed and the supposed victim is a spectator to the gay doings of her spouse. From beginning to end the piece was played with the keen spirit it deserved, and it was evident that care had been taken in the production. The various parts were each sustained so as to make all that was possible out of them. In the part of Mrs. "atmuff," Mrs. Tuxford presented a very clever character study of a by no means easy role in a great measure the success of the play was due to her acting. As Ferdinand Swift, the energetic nephew, Mr. J. J. Innes was very much at home and worked effectively. Dr. G. O. Vetherton, as the poor unfortunate husband, proved to be the man born, while as the two of to be denied lovers, Miss Chun Yut and M. H. Fillings acted splendidly together, and from the commencement won the sympathy and interest of their audience. The funds of the Institute should be considerably increased by the evening's entertainment.

CHINESE SURGERY.

There was a large gathering at the Y.M.C.A. rooms on Saturday night to hear Dr. J. D. Thomson lecture on this subject.

The doctor said the Chinese made a distinction between internal and external medicine, the external medicine being what we call surgery. As far back as several hundred years before the birth of Christ there was an eminent Chinese surgeon who believed in extensive operations and amputations, but he was almost alone, as no one else ever attempted so much as cut off a finger. The Chinese would never cut away a humour, neither would they amputate a limb even though leaving it on mount that death would certainly result. The chief aim of the native doctor in surgery was the use of the needle and counter irritation, the latter including what is ordinarily termed massage, and burning of the flesh. The lecturer had seen cases where small children were treated by this burning process for diseases of the stomach and bowels. The knowledge of anatomy among the Chinese was absolutely nil; they had an idea that the heart and stomach were connected, and that the pit of the liver was the seat of thought. They also were of opinion that the gall bladder was the seat of boldness, and that from it all schemes originated. The great difficulty in the way of introducing the science of Western medicine into China was the native's inherent hatred of the foreigner; he distrusted the latter's methods, and preferred his own culture. An illustration of this Dr. Thomson said that of some 23 graduates of the Hongkong College of Medicine, not one had settled in China. An obstacle which the Chinese doctor educated according to Western science met was the opposition of the native doctors, who stirred up the people against the Western trained man. The speaker had known some Chinese communities to have had quite a riot over the incoming of a doctor educated in Western science, such riots being promoted by native doctors who feared for the stability of their practice.

The lecturer had on exhibition quite a number of Chinese medicines, and explained to his hearers the virtues thereof and for what maladies they were regarded as a panacea.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders was held at the Company's hotel on Saturday afternoon. Mr. E. Osborne presided, and there were also present—Messrs. W. H. Potts, W. Parlett (directors), C. Mooney (secretary), F. C. Potts, A. Turner, E. J. Chapman, T. Arnold, E. S. Haskell, W. A. Cruikshank, W. Taylor, Ho Fook, Ho Kong-tong, Lo Cheung-shin, and Captains W. E. Clarke and F. D. Goddard.

The notice convening the meeting having been read,

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—I propose, if you please, that the report and accounts to be considered at read. Profits for the latter half of 1905 diminished considerably in consequence of an unexpected collapse of our liquor and extra meal business; indeed, so complete, so sudden has been the change, that we feel encouraged to hope it must be due to exceptional and temporary circumstances, amongst which is probably the rise in exchange. For the patrons of that portion of the Hotel business which is known as the bar and extra meal account consist largely of mercantile marine officers drawing sterling salaries and it is assumed that with a reduced dollar income they are, and properly so, unwilling to spend so much as they formerly did. The opening of a rival establishment has contributed to the fall, but not materially. This unwise state of affairs once more emphasises the fact that our dividends in the past have been paid in great measure out of profits on liquor, and if the falling off referred to be other than a passing wave of abstinence, we shall have to consider seriously an increase in charges to visitors—especially monthly residents—or we shall have to practise some rather drastic economies.

Mr. PARLETT—I would like to say, in reply to Mr. Arnold, that the electric lifts will be an asset, and will only replace the old ones.

Mr. ARNOLD—I presume the old ones were written off long ago?

Mr. PARLETT—When we get the new ones they will be an asset worth \$20,000. You say the old ones are written off, but I cannot agree with you.

Mr. ARNOLD—if so much is set aside for repairs and renewals each year, I should think that they were. Do you mean to say that the lifts stand at their original cost?

Mr. PARLETT—I don't say what they stand at.

Mr. ARNOLD—Are lifts included in the furniture account?

Mr. PARLETT—in the furniture and fixtures, I think.

Mr. ARNOLD—in previous years we have written large sums off for furniture and fixtures.

Mr. PARLETT—I am not prepared to say that I was quite correct in my last remark.

Mr. ARNOLD—I could understand if there is to be a permanent diminution we must put up with a reduced dividend. I think we are in rather a hurry to reduce the dividend; we should wait and see what the next half year brings forth. The total earnings of 1905, I understand, equal the total earnings of 1904.

Mr. CRUIKSHANK—Last year \$72,000 was earned, and in the previous year \$18,400, yet you propose to set aside a larger sum for repairs and renewals last year than in the previous year. It seems rather an unequal division. Naturally, the directors have some valid reason for writing off so much in one year. It occurs to me it would be better to maintain the regularity of our dividend.

Mr. POTT—I would like to know how the bar is paying now on the receipts so far?

The CHAIRMAN—The receipts for January and February show about the same falling off per month as they have done for the six months of last year.

The CHAIRMAN—It has been proposed as an amendment by Mr. Arnold, and seconded by Captain Clarke, that the amount standing at credit of profit and loss account shall be distributed thus:—Pay a dividend of 10 per cent. for the half year, absorbing \$60,000; transfer to repairs and renewals account, \$4,000; write off from value of electric plant, \$629.51; carry forward to new account, \$619.89; total \$639.40.

On the amendment being put there were eleven for and three directors against.

The CHAIRMAN—The amendment is carried, gentlemen. The next business is the re-election of Mr. W. H. Potts as a director.

Captain GODDARD—I have much pleasure in proposing that Mr. Potts be re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Captain CLARKE—I have much pleasure in seconding.

The motion was carried.

Mr. LO CHAU-SHUI moved, and Mr. HASKELL seconded, that Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe be re-appointed auditors. Carried.

The CHAIRMAN—Dividend warrants will be ready on Tuesday, gentlemen; they have not yet been written out, as we expected something of this sort. Thank you for your attendance.

Mr. CRUIKSHANK—Before separating I should like to put on record our thanks to the chairman and directors for the conscientious way in which they have looked after our interests during the past six months, although we have had to differ with them on the small point about a dividend.

Captain GODDARD seconded the motion.

The CHAIRMAN—Thank you, Mr. Cruckshank; your remarks are appreciated.

THE CHAIRMAN—If you will permit me, I will repeat some remarks I made on the 28th August, 1905, on this subject, in connection with an increased dividend which was then proposed as an amendment to the directors' recommendation—“In the first place, I do not consider the earnings justify a higher dividend, because the appropriation of profits as suggested by the report, urged, if it urged at all, in not writing off enough from furniture and fixtures. Since 1895 we have spent in this direction \$134,635, and during the same period have written off \$35,049; this, in my opinion, is, if anything, inadequate, because a large proportion of the expenditure was upon carpets, cutlery, crockery, glassware and linen, on which the wear and tear is so great that I think it would be more correct to pay for such articles out of earnings, and take no credit in the account for their existence. The outlay on furniture and fixtures will always constitute a large item in our expenditure, and necessarily so, because if you starve the business of its legitimate nourishment in the shape of up-to-date furnishing, you will be starving the goose that lays the golden eggs. A well-appointed comfortable hotel will thrive, but a mean, badly-appointed one, such as we were a few years ago, will repel custom rather than attract it.” I command these remarks to your earnest consideration to-day.

Mr. THOMAS ARNOLD, who offers himself for re-election.

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LTD.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the 17th ordinary General meeting to be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday, 10th March, is as follows:—

The Directors have now to submit to the shareholders a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905. After writing off for depreciation \$6,677.53, the net profit for the year amounts to \$18,288.17, to which has to be added \$8,577.67 brought forward from last year's account. After payment of Directors and Auditor it is proposed to pay a dividend of two dollars per share on the old shares, and one dollar per share on the new shares, issued 1st July last, absorbing \$16,300. The balance of \$8,915.84 to be carried forward to next year's account.

The reclamation at North Point is now nearly completed, and the question of further progress is receiving the careful consideration of your Directors.

Director.—Mr. Wm. Parlance, according to the articles, retires, but offers himself for re-election.

Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. Thomas Arnold, who offers himself for re-election.

A. RODGER, Chairman.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1905.

Assets.

Value of land and buildings, as per last report ... \$70,000.00

Cost of site of new works at North Point, to date ... 180,892.45

Cost of steel wharf at North Point, to date ... 4,930.79

Value of Machinery, Plant, Launches and office furniture, as per last report \$68,191.00

Added during the year ... 3,681.17

\$61,822.87

Sold during the year ... 7,150.99

\$54,671.87

Written off for depreciation 3,548.74

\$1,123.14

Value of stock in trade as per stock list \$99,785.34

Written off for depreciation 3,128.79

\$96,656.55

Value of work in progress ... 1,057.18

Cash on hand ... 1,935.48

Cash with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Co., Ltd., current a/c ... 12,928.57

Cash with the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China ... 123.87

Cash with the National Bank of China, Ltd., ... 218.93

Cost of 1 Union Insurance Society of Canton's share ... 245.00

Sundry debtors ... 16,350.62

\$436,492.58

LIABILITIES.

Capital, \$450,000, viz.

6,000 old shares of \$25 ea. \$150,000

12,000 new shares of \$25 ea. 300,000

\$350,000

Less 72,000 shares unissued 180,000

\$170,000

Balance, 10,800 shares paid up ... \$970,000.00

Reserve fund ... 70,000.00

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By balance of last year's account ... 8,577.67

By gross earnings ... 131,454.34

By transfer fees ... 25.00

By bonus from Insurance Co. ... 14.17

By dividend, Union Insurance Society of Canton's share ... 40.00

\$140,111.18

HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report of the directors for the year 1905 is as follows:—

Annox we have the pleasure to lay before shareholders the annual statement of accounts made up to the 31st December, 1905.

The net profit, including the balance brought forward from last year amounts to \$98,813.25, of which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—

To place to reserve fund ... \$1,000.00

To pay a dividend of 18 per cent. ... 90,000.00

To carry forward to the credit of next year's account ... 5,813.25

The result is not as good as that of the previous year's work owing to a falling off in the demand locally and to the continued high price of Manila Hemp.

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs. A. J. Raymond, D. E. Brown, H. P. White and Dr. J. W. Noble retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. T. Arnold and W. H. Potts, who are recommended for re-election.

REHAWK, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Interest ... \$8,680.50

Salaries ... 16,510.00

To crown rent and taxes ... 1,264.26

To interest ... 113.11

To depreciation ... 8,677.53

To balance, profit appropriated as under:—

Dividends of 18 per cent. on 6,000 old shares ... \$12,000.00

Dividends of 8 per cent. on 4,800 new shares for six months ... 4,800.00

Directors' fees ... 1,000.00

Auditor's fee ... 150.00

NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, &c., should be addressed DAILY PRESS only, and special business matter to THE MANAGER.

Orders for extra copies of DAILY PRESS should be sent in before 11 a.m. on day of publication. After that time the supply is limited. Only apply for Cash.

Advertisements and subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

HAVING OPENED a BRANCH of our business at 11 and 12, Eschen Road, Shanghai, we have appointed Mr. EMIL FISCHER Manager, who will Sign the Firm per pro.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1906. [559]

NOTICE.

DURING my Temporary Absence from the Colony Mr. JOSEPH HAL-BROME will Sign the Firm per pro A. WEILL,

Manager.

Sonnet Frères.

40, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1906. [560]

HONGKONG SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC SPORTS 1906.

THE ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS of the Hongkong Schools will be held by permission on the Race Course, Happy Valley, on MONDAY, the 26th March, at 12 Noon. Entry Forms can be obtained from the Committee and must be returned to the SECRETARIES not later than 10th March. Preliminary heats will be run off on SATURDAY, 24th March. There will be a 1 Mile Race open to the Navy, Army and Police (European) and also 1 Mile open to the Army and Police (Asian), post entries and Two Prizes offered in each case.

R. E. O. BIRD,

H. L. GARRETT,

Hon. Secretaries.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1906. [561]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship "HAIMUN," Captain A. J. Robson, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 6th Inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1906. [562]

FOR SHANGHAI

(Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TSINGTAU and CHEMULPO.)

THE Steamship

"LOONGMOON."

Captain E. Kalkofen, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 7th Inst. at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.

For Freight, apply to SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1906. [558]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"AUSTRIA."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that Cargo is being landed and stored at their risk and expense in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the undersigned before NOON, on the 9th March, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 9th March will be subject to rate.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELEB & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1906. [58]

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE First PRACTICE of "THE CRUSADERS" will take place TO-DAY (MONDAY), 5th March, in the CITY HALL, at 5.30 P.M. Both VOCAL & ORCHESTRAL Members are requested to attend.

R. T. D. SAYLE.

Hon. Sec'y Hongkong Philharmonic Soc'y, Care of The Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [503]

NAVY CONTRACTS 1906-7.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the VICTUALLING STORE OFFICER, H. M. VICTUALLING YARD, until NOON on TUESDAY, the 20th MARCH, for the undermentioned articles:-

FRESH BEEF.

FROZEN MEAT.

SOFT BREAD.

FRESH VEGETABLES.

POTATOES.

BISCUITS.

FLOUR.

RICE.

SUGAR.

CEYLON TEA.

Forms of Tenders and particulars as to quality, &c., can be obtained on application.

Samples of Soft Bread, Biscuits, Flour, Rice, Sugar and Tea proposed to be supplied should accompany Tenders.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

WM. HOGARTH.

Victualling Store Officer.

H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [487]

INTIMATIONS



HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN-PRACTICE will be carried out as under:-

On FRIDAY, 2nd March—

From Kowloon (in conjunction with practice from Stonewall's) in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 14,000 yards, commencing at 10 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

* On FRIDAY, 9th March—

From Lyman on to land surrounding Junk Bay, at ranges up to 5,000 yards, commencing at 10 A.M., and finished at 1 P.M.

* On MONDAY, 12th March—

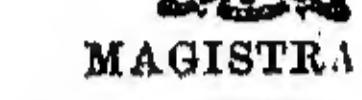
From Bon Vista on to Mount Collison and Tytan Bay at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 10 A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All Ships, Junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.

* Both practices will be concluded on first day if possible.

L. BARNES LAWRENCE,
(Capt. R.N.), Harbour Master, &c.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. [511]



MAGISTRACY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Meeting of His Majesty's Police Magistrates and JUSTICES of the PEACE for the Colony will be held at the Magistracy, at 2.15 P.M. on MONDAY, the 12th March, 1906, for the purpose of considering the following application under the Liquor Licence Ordinance, 1892, viz:

To permit one JOSEPH HENRY NEWBOLD to remove the business now carried on by him under an Adjunct Licence on premises numbered 51, Des Voeux Road Central, under the sign of "THE OWL GRILL ROOM" to premises numbered 39, Des Voeux Road Central.

F. A. FAZELAND,
Police Magistrate.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [552]

THE BOWLING CLUB, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

M. R. J. L. COTTER has as from January 1st, 1906, ceased to have any connection with the above Club.

All persons or Companies having any claims against the Club are requested to furnish an itemized account to the Secretary, Mr. E. G. JORDAN.

By Order of the Committee,
A. B. MOULDER,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 29th February, 1906. [517]

ENTERTAINMENTS

THEATRE ROYAL, HONGKONG.

LAST 2 NIGHTS.

BANDMANN
OPERA CO.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH

MR. GEORGE EDWARDES

TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), 5TH MARCH.

SPRING CHICKEN

FAREWELL PERFORMANCE,

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 6TH MARCH.

VERONIQUE.

Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD. Doors Open at 8.30. Commence at 9 P.M.

Late Cars to Peak will run nightly after the performance.

C. PEMBERTON,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. [399]

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. GEORGE'S BUILDING, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, 1906, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd instant to the 8th proximally, both days inclusive.

By Order,
C. PEMBERTON,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. [511]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, St. GEORGE'S BUILDING, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, 1906, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th March, to WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, both days inclusive.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. [512]

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 12 per cent. per share for the Six months ending 31st December, 1905, declared at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be payable at the premises of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after Tuesday, the 27th February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Company's Office, QUEEN'S BUILDING, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [504]

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Box of 6 Seats \$15

Box Seats \$8

Circle \$8

Gallery with Carpets \$1

Gallery, Chinese Only 50

Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.

E. SPAMPANI,
Proprietor and Director.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1906. [550]

AUCTIONS

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1906. [549]

[BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGE].

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SHARE REPORT.

Meers, Erich Georg and Co., in their weekly share list, dated March 3rd, state:—We have to report upon a very quiet market, the high rate of exchange, the tightness of the money market, as well as disquieting political rumours accounting for the unwillingness of people to operate, although most of our local companies are in a good position, issuing satisfactory reports. The sterling demand rate of exchange on London closed at 2s. 0 9/16d.; this rate on Shanghai are Tls. 713 for a bank T.P. and Tls. 713 for a 3 days sight private bill. Bankers in London is quoted 3/14d., and Consols £90/16 per interest.

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai has weakened further, and are now quoted \$860 ex the dividend of 41 4/5d. od. and the bonus of £1 per share—total \$26.87.02 per share paid on 26th ultime. The London quotation is £91 4/5d. per interest.

MINING SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai has advanced to \$944, and are now quoted \$860 ex the dividend of 41 4/5d. od. and the bonus of £1 per share—total \$26.87.02 per share paid on 26th ultime. The London quotation is £91 4/5d. per interest.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao changed hands at \$244 to \$231, closing with sellers at \$244, and a slightly lower offer would probably go unheeded. Indos are easier and dull, and the nominal quotation is \$90; Shanghai wires Tls. 68 steady, while London quotes £104. China and Manilas are easier and on offer at \$21; Douglas sold and are wanted at \$47. Star Ferries floated \$23 for old shares; the new issue is quoted \$23 1/2. Star Ferries have been placed at \$24 and have further buyers; the London quotation is £104. Hongkong Steam Water boats have sold and have sellers at \$10.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars, owing to the report that a final dividend of \$15 per share will be recommended at the annual meeting (making \$25 in all for 1905), got into some demand, but only for cash shares sold at \$21 1/2 to \$21 1/2, while for end of June several lots changed hands at \$22 to \$22 1/2; the market closes a bit quieter with sellers at \$21 1/2 and \$22 1/2 for end of June; Luozu sold at \$38, but are quiet now at \$37.

MINING SHARES.—Raubs have sellers at \$34.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODDOWNS, &c.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have gone back to \$115 ex the dividend of \$6 per share paid on 27th ultime; the Company is fully employed, and working day and night. Fenwicks are on offer at \$23 for old and \$23 1/2 for new shares; New Amoy Docks are quoted \$13 1/2 ex the dividend of \$1 for old, and 50 cents for new shares, paid on 1st inst.; Farmhams are very dull with probable sellers at Tls. 122 1/2, which is also the Shanghai quotation. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves are on offer at \$107; Shanghai and Hongkow Wharves have been done up at Tls. 25.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands are weak with sellers and buyers at \$116; Kowloon Lands at \$27, and West Points at \$23 are also on offer. Hongkong Hotels sold at falling rates, and down to \$109 was accepted; the stock closed quiet at \$104; Humphreys changed hands at \$112 to \$11 1/2, closing with sellers at the higher rate. Shanghai Lands are quoted Tls. 111 buyers ex the final dividend of Tls. 3 per share paid on 23rd ultime.

COTTON MILLS.—All Shanghai stocks have improved, and the quotations are as follows: Ewes Tls. 59, Internationals Tls. 60, Laon Kaung Mows Tls. 67, and Soochees Tls. 275, all buyers; Hongkong Cottons have buyers at \$16.

SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Philippines have buyers at \$54. Hongkong Electric (old), after sales \$163, are now quoted at \$163; the new issue floated \$16. Bell's Asbestos can be placed at \$7 and Dairy Farms at \$154. Green Is and Cements are quoted \$30 1/2 sellers, ex the dividend and bonus of together \$24 per share paid on 26th ultime; Ropes have buyers at \$152; other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Providents sold and have sellers at \$9. Langkars are quiet at Tls. 232 1/2; A. S. Watson's sold and have buyers at \$13. Wm. Powell's floated \$112, at which rate more shares are obtainable. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

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The fact that there are so few native wars in British New Guinea and no concerted action of any kind against the Administration is largely due to the code of law administered by the little group of white officials and its black constables. This code makes it an offence to supply the natives with firearms, opium, or intoxicating liquors. It also prevents native labour being engaged except under a licence, which places high obligations on the employer. It further conserves to the tribes the possession of nine-tenths of the land, and the retention of all religious and local customs which are not obviously immoral or inhuman.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AMARA, British steamer, 1,560, G. J. Mattock, 3rd March—Wuhu and Chinkiang 28th Feb., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
APENSALE, German str., 611, Jurgensen, 3rd March—Takao 1st March, General—Johnson & Co.
BAYERN, German str., 5,034, H. Formos, 4th March—Bremen 17th January, Mails and General—Melchers & Co.
ELISABETH RICHTERS, German steamer, 997, W. Befoh, 3rd March—Kehsiching and Bangkok 24th Feb., Rice—Melchers & Co.
FAIRJOY, Norwegian str., 891, H. A. Haraldsen, 4th Mar.—Amping, Amoy and Swatow 3rd March, General—Osaka Shosen Kaiho.
HAIMUN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 4th March—Swatow 3rd March, General—Douglas Lupton & Co.
HONGKONG, French str., 742, A. Suzoni, 4th March—Haiphong via Hoihow 2nd March, General, Pigs and Bullock—A. R. Marty.
HUCHOW, British str., 3rd Mar., from Canton, ITALIA, British str., 3,363, Kendall, 3rd Mar., Singapore 23rd Feb., Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KAMPOF, French str., 412, De Cello, 3rd March, —Udo, 25th February, General—Chinese.
KASHING, British steamer, 4th March, from Canton, 2nd Mar.—Canton, 2nd Mar., General—
KWONGAN, British steamer, 4th March, from Canton.
MADEBU MU, Japanese str., 1,099, K. Fukishima, 4th March—Kobe 24th Feb., Matches—Osaka Shosen Kaiho.
REIN, Norwegian str., 726, N. C. Matheson, 4th March—Saigon 25th March, General—Order.
SHAIJUAN, British str., 1,025, J. H. Scott, 4th March—Saigon 26th Feb., Rice—Chinese.
SHAOHUA, British str., 3rd March, from Canton.
TENGSHING, British str., 1,172, Stalker, 4th March—Chinkiang 28th Feb., Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
WAHORA, British str., 1,265, W. Brown, 3rd March—Singapore 21st Feb., General—Chinese.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
March 3rd.

Dapeng, German str., for Shanghai.
Ezang, British str., for Tientsin.

DEPARTURES.

March 3rd.
AGAMEMNON, British str., for Shanghai.
EASTERN, British str., for Australia.
ENNA LUTKEN, German str., for Saigon.
GLENNAIN, British str., for Shanghai.
HATCHING, British str., for Swatow.
HAIMUN, British str., for Swatow.
KANGAROO, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
MERFOO, Chinese str., for Canton.
PETCHABURI, German str., for Amoy.
RUSH, British str., for Manila.
SHANTUNG, British str., for Hongay.
SOTONIA, British str., for Shanghai.
VINGINT, British str., for Newcastle.
WOSANG, British str., for Swatow.
March 4th.
AFGHAN PRINCE, British str., for Shanghai.
ANGHIN, German str., for Swatow.
AUSTRIA, Austrian str., for Trieste.
DAIGI MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
KANSU, British str., for Saigon.
MACHEW, German str., for Bangkok.
WAHNEIN, British str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The French str. *Hongkong* reports: Fresh N.E. moon and clear weather.
The British str. *Hutman* reports: Fresh N.E. wind and high sea, fine cloudy weather.
The British str. *Shahjahan* reports: Fresh winds and clear weather to Parcels; thence to port fresh gale and thick rainy weather.
The German str. *Elisabeth Richters* reports: Fine weather up to Cape Padrau; from there strong N.E. sea, and from north of Cape Varella up to Ladrones heavy gale wind from N.E. and N.W., sometimes with smooth.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

March 2nd.
ABERDEEN DOCKS—*Kutsany*.
FOULWATER DOCKS—*Hyades Vigilante*, Lithia, Empress of Japan, *Nanjing*, Langshan, Charles Hardwick, *Progress*, *Fathalan*, *Seward*, *Woolwich*, *Tai Po*, *Jenfield*, *Brusiloff*.
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Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. 530

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LONDON & ANTWERP	BENVORLICH.....	Brit. str.	—	Thomson.....	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.....	About 15th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.....	On 13th inst.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TELEMACHUS.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.....	On 27th inst.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.....	On 10th April.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HEBEAI.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.....	On 24th April.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.....	On 8th May.	
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	CALCHAS.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.....	On 22nd May.	
TURBANE	FRANZI.....	Fr. str.	—	Girard, Ch. Poleney.....	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.	
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SILESSA.....	GERALD.....	Ger. str.	k. w.	Bahle.....	HAMBURG-AMERIKAN LINE	
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SHIMOSA.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	
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EMPEROR OF JAPAN.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	
ATHENIAN.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	
HYADES.....	GERALD.....	Am. str.	—	CODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	ODER.	
KEEMUN.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	TOURANE.	
MINNESOTA.....	GERALD.....	Am. str.	—	ERNST.....	Captain Girard, will be despatched for Marseilles on TUESDAY, the 6th March, at 1 p.m.	
AGRAVONIA.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	This Steamer connects at Colombo with the Australian line as "Australian," bound for Marseilles via BOMBAY and Aden.	
SEMINOLE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.	
GLENFARG.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.	
WILLESHAD.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Next sailings will be as follows:	
CHANGSHA.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	S.S. "OCEANIAN" 20th Mar.	
DAPENE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	k. w.	—	S.S. "TONKIN" 3rd April.	
CHANGSHA.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	S.S. "ARMAND-BEHIC" 17th April.	
PEINNE WALDEMAR.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS" 1st May.	
POONA.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	S.S. "POLYNESIEN" 15th May.	
MAZAGON.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.	
TIJANAS.....	GERALD.....	Dut. str.	—	—	Hongkong, 20th February, 1906. [2]	
HUNAN.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THE ORIENTAL PACIFIC LINE.	
TIENTSIN.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS.	
SHANGHAI.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THE Steamship	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THE Steamship	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THE Steamship	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	"DONGOLA."	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Captain G. Phillips, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. <i>Mongolia</i> , 9,500 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. <i>Persia</i> , due in London on 21st April.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Hongkong, 26th February, 1906. [1]	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	(Florio and Ratti-Batista United Companies.)	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, POET SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO. (Taking cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMEBIA and MALAGA.)	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.	—	—	THE Steamship	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.....	GERALD.....	Brit. str.				

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EUROPEAN SERVICE.**OUTWARDS.**

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEENKAI"	On 13th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 19th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 20th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANCHISES"	On 24th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 28th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"BELLEROPHON"	On 4th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 11th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 14th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEUCER"	On 14th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 21st April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 21st April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 28th April.	

HOMEBWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 13th March.	
GENOA, MARSEILLE and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 20th March.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 27th March.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 10th April.	
GENOA, MARSEILLE and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 20th April.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	On 24th April.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 8th May.	
GENOA, MARSEILLE and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 26th May.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"CALCHAS"	On 22nd May.	

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EASTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & N. PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO-	"KEEMUN"	On 21st March.	
HAMA	"TEUCER"	On 18th April.	
HAMA	"TYDEUS"	On 16th May.	

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA, and PACIFIC COAST	"TELEMACHUS"	On 25th March.	
Hongkong, 5th March, 1906.	"NINGCHOW"	On 25th April.	

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FROM	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	On 5th March.	
SHANGHAI	"SHAOSHING"	On 5th March.	
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHANGSHA"	On 6th March.	
MANILA, ILOILO	"TAMING"	On 6th March.	
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 6th March.	
TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 7th March.	
NEWCHWANG	"HUNAN"	On 9th March.	
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 9th March.	
SHANGHAI, FORT D'AIRWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK-TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BEIRNE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"KIUKIANG"	On 10th March.	

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.**SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.**

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
SAMBIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG	Or 7th Mar. Freight.
Capt. Ellers	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
TEUTONIA	HAMBURG	On 14th Mar. Freight.
Capt. Oesterreich	(Calling at Singapore)	
LIBERIA	HAMBURG	On 16th Mar. Freight.
Capt. Kier	(Calling at Singapore)	
SAXONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 19th Mar. Freight.
Capt. Sachs	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 31st Mar. Freight & Passengers.
Capt. Baldis	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SENEGAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 18th April Freight.
Capt. Peter	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SEGOVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 2nd May Freight.
Capt. Schönhofel	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
C. FEED LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 16th May Freight.
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FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING	
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 11th Mar.	
AND AMOI	H. OHTA	at 10 A.M.	
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"ANPING MARU"	THURSDAY, 8th Mar.	
AMOI AND FOOCHOW	K. SHIRAKI	at 10 A.M.	
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"SHOSHU MARU"	THURSDAY, 15th Mar.	
AMOI AND FOOCHOW	T. NEMOTO	at 10 A.M.	
ANPING VIA SWATOW	"MAIDZURU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 7th Mar.	
AND AMOI	MERLIN	Mar. at 10 A.M.	

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Steamer.	Tone.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
HYADES	3,753	J. Alwen	On 6th March.
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	On 6th April.
SHAWMUT	9,606	E. V. Roberts	On 28th April.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The following may now be obtained at the General Post Office counter:—
Postal Guides of 1903 30 cents
Parcels Post Tariffs 20 "

The Tonkin, with the French mail of the 3rd February, left Saigon, on Friday, the 2nd inst., at 9 a.m., and may be expected here to-day, at daylight. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 30th December.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per a.s. Wingchow on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for CANTON, NAMAO, SANHUEI, and KONGMEON, KUMCHUK, SAMSHUI, and CHINAHORN Co., and CHINA LIGHT & P. CO., and CHINA BROADVIEW.

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*No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Shanghai, Nagasaki and Vladivostock	Duplne	Monday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.
Saigon and Luigi	Kansu	Monday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Huempak	Monday, 5th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore	Shuching	Monday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Koshing	Monday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Esang	Monday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Desia	Monday, 5th, 4.00 P.M.
Anony and Strals	Washara	Monday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Hainan	Tuesday, 6th, 9.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama Victoria & Tacoma	Hyades	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang, and Colombo	Savilia	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin	Printed Matter and Samples	Wednesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Registration	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)	No late fee.	11.00 A.M.
Macao	Letters	Tuesday, 6th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Registration	11.00 A.M.
Yokohama and Kobe	Kowloon	10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Manila, Cobu and Hollie	B.O.	10.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	No late fee.	11.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER (B.C.)	Printed Matter and Samples	10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail)	Registration	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Extra Postage 10 cents)	Registration	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
TO-DAY.	Registration	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Sale, Household Furniture, &c., Sales Rooms Mr. V. I. Romeo's, 2.30 p.m.	Bank of Commerce	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Bandmann's Opera Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.	Bank of Commerce	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Spann's European Circus, Causeway Bay, p.m.	Bank of Commerce	10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS		March 3rd.
On LONDON	Telegraphic Transfer	2/08
	Bank Bills, on demand	2/04
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/03
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/1
Creditis, at 4 months' sight	2/1	
Documentary Bills, 4months' sight	2/14	
On PARIS	Bank Bills, on demand	25/4
	Creditis, at 4 months' sight	26/4
On GERMANY	On demand	210/4
On NEW YORK	Bank Bills, on demand	50
	Creditis, 60 days' sight	50/4
On BOMBAY	Telegraphic Transfer	153
	Bank Bills, on demand	153/4
On CALCUTTA	Telegraphic Transfer	153
	Bank Bills, on demand	153/4
On SHANGHAI	Bank Bills, on demand	712
	Bank at sight	712
	Private, 30 days' sight	724
On YOKOHAMA	On demand	100/4
On MANILA	On demand—Peso	100/4
On SINGAPORE	On demand	15 p.c.p.m.
On BATAVIA	On demand	123/4
On HAIFONG	On demand	21 p.c.p.m.
On SAIGON	On demand	24 p.c.p.m.
On BANGKOK	On demand	61/4
	Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	9.70
	GOLD LEAR, 100 fine, per tael	50.80
	BAR SILVER, per oz.	30/4
OPPIUM.	March 3rd.	
Quotations are:— Allow 'ce net to 1 catty.		
Malwa New \$1000 to — per picul.		
Malwa Old \$1050 to — " "		
Malwa Old \$1100 to — " "		
Malwa V. Old \$1170 to — " "		
Persian fine quality \$1050 to — " "		
Persian extra fine \$1100 to — " "		
Patna New \$860 to — per chest.		
Patna Old \$845 to — " "		
Banaras New \$805 to — " "		
Banaras Old \$795 to — " "		
VESSELS EXPEDITED.		
THE FRENCH MAIL.		
The M.M. str. Tonkin left Saigon on Friday, the 2nd March, at 9 a.m., for this port.		
THE AMERICAN MAIL.		
The P.M. str. Mongolia left Yokohama on the 26th Feb., and is due here about 10th March.		
THE ENGLISH MAIL.		
The P. & O. str. Oceanus left Singapore on this part on the 3rd March, at noon, and is due here on the 8th March, at 5 a.m.		
THE CANADIAN MAIL.		
The C.P.R. str. Empress of China left Vancouver on Monday, the 19th Feb., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.		
BERGENTRASHER.		
The H.A.L. str. Dacto, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this part on the 27th Feb., a.m., and may be expected here to-day, a.m.		
The H.A.L. str. Sambia left Shanghai for this part on the 2nd March, a.m., and may be expected here to-day, a.m.		
The str. Seminole left Singapore on the 27th Feb., and is due here to-day.		
The str. Lightning, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 28th Feb., p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.		
The I.G.M. str. Wilhelms, from Moji, is due here to-morrow evening.		
The E. & A. str. Australian, from Sydney, a.c., left Manila on the 3rd March, a.m., for this port.		
The Ben Line str. Bengloe, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 1st March for this port.		
The P. & O. str. Maragon left Singapore for this part on the 28th Feb., at 8 a.m.		
The N.G.M. str. Iochie left Singapore for this part on the 1st March, and may be expected here on or about the 7th March.		
The Ben Line str. Bencleuch, from Antwerp, London and Straits, left Singapore on the 2nd March, and is due here on the 8th March.		

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

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Hongkong, March 3rd.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambar	\$200	\$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shai.	\$125	\$80, sellers x d.
National B. of China	25	\$2, buyers
Bull's Island Co.	12s. od.	\$7, buyers
China-Hornam Co.	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$9, sellers
China Broadview	\$10	\$9, sellers
Cotton Mills Ewo.	Fls. 50	Fls. 50, buyers
Hongkong International	\$10	\$16, buyers
Imou King, Atow.	Fls. 75	Fls. 60.
Imou	Fls. 100	Fls. 67.
Soyches	Fls. 500	Fls. 275.
Dairy Farm	\$3	\$15, buyers
Docks and Wharves Farnham, B. & Co.	Fls. 100	Fls. 122.
H. & K. Wharf & Co.	\$50	\$105, sellers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$155, x d.
New Anny Dock	\$38	\$16, x d.
Shai & H. Wharf	Fls. 100	Fls. 225.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$23, sellers
G. Island Cement	\$10	\$18, sellers
Hongkong & C. Gas.	\$10	\$15, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$10, sellers
Do, New...	\$10	\$16, sellers
H. L. Tranways	\$100	\$145, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$50	\$140.
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	\$230, buyers
Hongkong Pipe Co.	\$50	\$152, buyers
Hongkong S. Waterboat	\$10	\$10, sellers
Insurances—		
Canton	\$50	\$340, buyers
China Fire	\$20	\$189, buyers
China Traders	\$25	\$94, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$200, sellers
North China Union	\$25	\$16, buyers
Yangtze	\$50	\$180.
Land and Building Hongkonglandinc.	\$100	\$110, sellers
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	\$175, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	\$30	\$37, sellers
Shanghai Land & B.	Fls. 60	Fls. 110, x d.
WestPointBuilding	\$50	\$53, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fls. 250	\$400.
Raubs.	Fls. 10	\$34.
Philippine Co.	\$10	\$54, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$213, sellers
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$37, sellers
Steamship Companies—		
Chins and Manxins Douglas Steamship	\$25	\$21, sellers
H. J. Canton & M....	\$60	\$40, sales & buy.
Indo-China S. Co.	\$16	\$24, sellers
Shell Transport Co.	\$21	\$24, " "
Do, Preference	\$10	\$23, 10s.
Star Ferry.....	\$10	\$32, sellers
Do, New...	\$5	\$28, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dyeing South China M. Post.	\$25	\$20, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	\$7, sellers
Do.	\$5	\$9, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	\$36.
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	\$14, sellers
Watkins	\$10	\$6, sellers
United Asbestos Co.	\$4	\$13, sales & buy.
Do, Founders....	\$10	\$160.
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Extreme Length 523 feet.

Length on Blocks 513 "

Width of Entrance on Top 588 "

Width of Entrance on Bottom 577 "

Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 264 "

DOCK No. 2.

Extreme Length 371 feet.

Length on Blocks 361 "

Width of Entrance on Top 66 "

Width of Entrance on Bottom 53 "

Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 22 "

PATENT SLIP.

Suitable for vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

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